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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of July 25, 2000. It is respectfully requested that the following amendments and remarks be entered in this case.

Applicants thank Examiner Portner for the courtesies extended in the telephone interview of December 21, 2000.